

upon him, by the Ordinance aforesaid, hereby
agrees that if the said Gas Works are constructed
and operated by said Sylvester Wills his associates
successors and assigns as provided, and stipulated
in the ordinance aforesaid then all the rights franchises
privileges and grants secured to said Sylvester
Wills and his associates by the Ordinance aforesaid
shall be, and are hereby confirmed.

In Witness whereof said parties
have here to set their hands, and seals (using scrolls
for seals,) this fourth day of November A.D. 1873,
in duplicate Witness.

J. B. Wheeler Mayor Seal
Sylvester Wills Seal

City Council Room

Austin Tex. November 8th 1873.

The City Council pursuant to a call of His Honor J. B.
Wheeler, Mayor the roll being called, the following Alder-
men answered to their names to wit:

J. C. Speed, E. Bremond, G. T. Boardman, A. Scholz,
Wm. Brueggerhoff, J. H. Robinson, A. H. Longley
Absent, Ald. Geo. Chapman, J. H. Harris, and G. Thompson
The Mayor stated that the meeting was called for
the purpose of receiving the report of the judges of the city
election held on the third day of November 1873.

The certificate and poll books of said judges of the
election were then read, received and adopted.

Ald. Longley offered the following resolution which
passed unanimously:

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin
That His Honor the Mayor be, and he is hereby
requested to notify J. B. Wheeler that he was elected
Mayor Mr. Longley that he was elected Marshal
J. W. Howard that he was elected Treasurer to J. C.
Speed, E. Bremond, G. T. Boardman and Christian
F. Dohma, S. Todd, A. Scholz, Wm Brueggerhoff
John H. Robinson, and N. B. Mitchell, that they
were elected Aldermen of the City of Austin, for
the term of two years, at an election held on the

day November 3rd 1873, as appears from the poll-book and certificate of the judges of election.
A petition of W. Wilson, asking for a license to retail liquors left unanswered, one query was read received and granted.

A petition of D. W. Egell, praying to be released from the payment of his last license, for butcher privilege in first ward, was read and laid on the table.

The bills of Judges and Clerks of the last election were presented, and on motion of Alderman the usual fees for said services was allowed.

Ald. Robinson offered the following ordinance:
Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Austin;

Sec. 1st. That the ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to regulate City surveys, and define the duties of City Engineer," approved on the 19th day of August 1873, be and the same is hereby repealed, and the office of City Engineer therein created, is hereby abolished.

Sec. 2^d. That this ordinance take effect and be in force from and after the 30th day of November 1873.

The adoption of the ordinance was carried.
Ald. Brueggerhoff moved to suspend the rules to read the ordinance on its second reading. The yeas and nays being called, it resulted, Yeas, Ald. J. B. Speed, C. Bremond, G. S. Boardman, A. Scholz, Wm. Brueggerhoff and J. H. Robinson. Nays, A. H. Longley. There not being a two-third majority of the whole board of Alderman the suspension of the rules was not carried.

Ald. Speed moved that Ald. Boardman be requested to serve in his place on Committee of Finance, as he would be absent for some time. The motion was carried and the request granted.

Ald. Longley offered the following resolution, which was unanimously carried:

Be it resolved, by the City Council of the City of Austin. That the Thats of the Board of

of Aldermen be, and they are hereby extended to His Honor, Mayor Wheeler for the able and impartial manner in which he has presided over the deliberations of this Council; and to Fred Sterzing for the faithful and efficient manner in which he has discharged the duties of City Recorder, and also Mr. W. C. Long Marshall and J. W. Howard, Treasurers for the efficient discharge of their respective duties for the present year.

A bill of Loomis & Christian amounting to \$75.00, coin, for building a bridge in 7th Ward, was presented and referred to Street Committee. The following communication from Alderman J. C. Sneed was then read, to wit:

To the City Council of the City of Austin:

Gentlemen:— From the published result of the election held in this City on the 3rd day of November 1873 it appears that one H. H. Metz received six more votes for the office of Alderman of Ward No. one of said City than the undersigned, who received the next highest number of votes to said Metz for said office. The undersigned is advised and believes that said Metz was ineligible to said office at the time of his said pretended election, because he the said Metz had not been a bona fide resident of said Ward at the date of his said pretended election for thirty days.

The undersigned is further advised and believes that fraudulent votes were cast at said election for said Metz, that is to say that persons voted for said Metz at said election who under the Charter of said City were not entitled to vote at said election and that if the illegal votes so cast for said Metz were excluded from the count the undersigned has received a plurality of legal votes cast at said election for Alderman of said Ward.

The undersigned therefore respectfully asks your Honorable body to investigate the matters stated in this communication; and in the

event that said Metz shall be found ineligible, the undersigned received a plurality of the legal votes for said office then, that a new election be ordered by your Honorable body to fill said office.

Thomas C. Speed.

Austin Texas.

November 8th 1873.

Ald. Longley moved that the communication be received, and referred to the new board of Aldermen, which motion was carried.

The Sexton's report for the month of October 1873, was presented, showing 19 interments for that month. On motion the report was referred to Cemetery Committee.

There being no further business, the Council adjourned to half-past 7 o'clock Wednesday night next.

Fred Stegning
Recorder.

City Council Room
Austin Tex. November 12.
1873

The City Council met pursuant to adjournment. His Honor J. B. Wheeler in the chair. The roll was called, and the following Aldermen answered to their names, E. Brumond, H. J. Bradford, A. Scholy, W^m Brueggerhoff, Jr. H. Robinson, A. H. Longley and D. Thompson. Absent: Alderman J. C. Speed, Geo. Supmann and J. W. Hamner. The annual Reports of the Treasurer, and Collector and Collector were presented, as approved by the Finance Committee, and on motion they were adopted. The following report and resolution was offered by the Committee of Finances. To wit:

That whereas the public generally demands that improvements of the city shall continue and whereas the Finance Committee have upon examination of the present income and expenditures of the city come to the conclusion that general improvements to further

The growth of the City cannot be made on the present income of warrants for taxes, and whereas they think it advisable to adopt means to further the object of improvements, and lessen the expenditures of the City. They do hereby make this their unanimous report to the City Council.

Resolved, That on and after the first day of December 1873 all dues to the City for Licenses and taxes of every kind shall be paid to the Mayor and Collector of the City, one half in U. S. currency legal tender Notes and the other half in warrants of the City of Austin, coupons on City Bonds when due or Jury Receipts and fire station Receipts.

Wm Brueggerhoff
G. J. Boardman
C. Brimond.

Resolved, By the City Council of the City of Austin that we heartily recommend to the new board of Aldermen elect to take up the report and resolution recommended by the Finance Committee and pass the same without delay.

On motion the report and resolution was referred to the incoming Board of Aldermen.

Alderman C. Brimond moved that the old Board of Aldermen adjourn sine die, which motion was unanimously carried.

The following named Officers elected, were then sworn into office by His Honor James W. Smith to wit J. B. Wheeler as Mayor, and H. M. Long as Marshal.

His Honor J. B. Wheeler then again took the Chair and swore into office the following parties; J. W. Howard as Treasurer, and C. Brimond, G. J. Boardman, C. Christian F. Dohme, S. G. Todd, A. Scholy, W^m Brueggerhoff and John H. Robinson as Aldermen.

The election of H. H. Shely of the first Ward and N. B. Mitchell of the tenth Ward for Aldermen being contested, they were therefore not sworn into office.

The new sworn in members of the City Council was then seated, the Roll called, Present;

Aldermen G. Brandom, J. S. Brandonman,
 Ed. Christian, F. Dohme, Dold, A.
 Scholtz, Wm. Breuggerhoff and John H. Robinson.
 Alderman Breuggerhoff moved to adjourn
 to Friday night for the purpose of taking
 in consideration the contestation against
 H. M. Metz and N. B. Mitchell, and that
 a Committee of three be appointed to examine
 the validity of the cases of the contestants,
 and make their report on that night, which
 motion was carried.

His Honor the Mayor appointed on that
 Committee, Aldermen Robinson, Breugger-
 Hoff and Brandonman.

2nd Stenning
 Recorder

City Council Room
 Austin Tex. Nov 14 1873

The City Council met pursuant to adjournment.
 His Honor J. B. Wheeler in the chair called the Council
 to order and stated that he had sworn into
 office H. M. Metz and N. B. Mitchell as Aldermen.
 The roll was called and the following named Alder-
 men answered to their names to wit: H. M. Metz
 G. Brandom, F. Dohme, J. S. Brandonman, A. Scholtz
 Wm. Breuggerhoff, J. H. Robinson, and N. B. Mitchell
 Absent, Aldermen G. S. Brandonman and Ed. Christian.
 His Honor J. B. Wheeler stated that the Council
 met for the purpose of receiving the report from
 the Committee appointed to investigate the validity
 of the election of Aldermen H. M. Metz and
 N. B. Mitchell. Motion Alderman Breuggerhoff
 moved that the Committee be allowed sufficient time
 to make their report, not to exceed Tuesday the 25th
 of November, 1873.

Minutes from September 10th to date, were read
 and one motion adopted.

Ed. Breuggerhoff offered the following resolution,
 which passed unanimously:
 Be it resolved by the City Council of the City

of Austin. That from, and after the first day of December 1873, the taxes on real estate, licenses and merchandise, shall be paid to the city collector, as follows: One half in United States legal tender, or bank notes and the other half in city warrants, Austin city jury scrip or fire district receipts.

That all licenses, rents, and income of Monksel House and stalls, and surrounds fire bay, shall be paid in United States legal tender or bank notes only.

That due coupons on Austin city bonds shall be receivable for all taxes and dues to the city except for rents and income of Monk'sel stalls.

That the recorder be, and he is hereby required to have this resolution published in the official paper of this city of Austin, and have this resolution printed on large size, posted and placed in all the public places of the city.

Ald. Robinson moved that the ordinance introduced at the meeting before the last, repealing an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to regulate City Surveys and define the duties of City Engineer" be taken up, which motion was carried.

The ordinance was read the second time, on motion of Ald. Brueggerhoff the rules were suspended, the ordinance read the third time, the yeas and nays were called and the ordinance passed by the following vote:

Yea, Ald. H. H. West, C. J. Premond, T. D. Jones, S. H. Todd, A. Scholz, W. Brueggerhoff, J. F. Robinson, N. B. Mitchell.

Votes: none
Ald. Brueggerhoff introduced the following ~~resolution~~:
Be it resolved by the city council of the City of Austin:
That five hundred dollars in money be, and is hereby appropriated from the first cash receipts, to be set aside by the city treasurer, to pay coupons due on city bonds on December 1st 1873.

On motion of Alderman Brueggerhoff the rules were suspended the resolution read the second time, on motion of Ald. Brueggerhoff the rules were further suspended the resolution read the third time, on

motion of Ald. Robinson the year, and no vote
were called on its final passage resulting.
Yrs. — Ald. H. W. M. Safety, C. Bremond, J. Dohme,
D. H. Todd, A. Scholz, W. Brueggerhoff, J.
H. Robinson, W. B. Mitchell
Ways & means
His Honor J. B. Wheeler then appointed the
regular standing Committees as follows:

Finance Committee.

C. Bremond; Chairman;
W. Brueggerhoff;
G. J. Boardman.

Street Committee.

J. H. Robinson; Chairman,
J. Dohme;
C. Christian.

Market House Committee.

G. J. Boardman; Chairman.
A. Scholz;
D. H. Todd.

Cemetery Committee.

C. Christian; Chairman.
J. Dohme;
W. B. Mitchell.
C. Bremond was afterward added.

Fire Committee.

W. Brueggerhoff; Chairman.
H. W. Safety;
A. Scholz.

Police Committee.

C. Bremond; Chairman.
J. H. Robinson;
G. J. Boardman.

On motion of Ald. Brueggerhoff the Council ad-
journed until called by his Hon. the Mayor.

Fred Sterling
Recorder